

# **GOBIERNO DE PUERTO RICO**

## DEPARTAMENTO DE ESTADO



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SUBJECT MATTER MARK CLASS FILING NUMBER FILING DATE APPLICANT Office Action
PLUM
028
244529-28-0
July 7, 2021
Plum Products Holdings Pty Ltd.

To whom it may concern:

In order to proceed with the examination of the said mark Applicant must submit the following information:

<u>X</u>	1.	State clearly the goods or services in connection with the mark as used or intended to be used in commerce in Puerto Rico. This applies if the Applicant customized the selection of goods or services.
	2.	Provide a drawing of the mark as used or as intended to be used in commerce in Puerto Rico.
<u> </u>	3.	Provide a detailed description of the mark as used or as intended to be used in commerce in Puerto Rico.
	4.	Provide a specimen that shows the mark in connection with the goods or services identified in your application.
	5.	Applicant must disclaim those terms or components of the mark which are not susceptible of exclusive appropriation.
	6.	Others.
	1.	The registration for the applied mark is refused on the following grounds:

### THIRD OFFICE ACTION

The P.R. Trademark Office (the "PRTO") takes notice of your answer to our Office Action filed September 8, 2022. However, to proceed with the examination of the mark, the PRTO requires the Applicant to amend the application as follows:

### **Description of Goods is Overly Broad:**

Rule 20 of the Trademark Registry Procedure Code of the Department of State for The Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (hereinafter, the Rules) provides that applications for registration of trademarks must include a list of the goods or services in relation to which a Trademark registration is desired.

An application of a mark must specify the goods or services on or in connection with which the Applicant uses, the mark in commerce. The identification should set forth common names, using terminology that is generally understood. The identification of goods or services must be specific, definite, clear, accurate, and concise. See In re Societe Generale des Eaux Minerales de Vittel S.A.,1 USPQ2d 1296 (TTAB 1986),reversed on other grounds, 824 F.2d 957 (Fed. Cir. 1987);Procter & Gamble Co. v. Economics Laboratory, Inc., 175 USPQ 505 (TTAB 1972),modified without opinion, 498 F.2d 1406 (C.C.P.A. 1974);In re Cardinal Laboratories, Inc., 149 USPQ 709 (TTAB 1966); California Spray-Chemical Corp. v. Osmose Wood Preserving Co. of America, Inc., 102 USPQ 321 (Comm'r Pats. 1954); Ex parte A.C. Gilbert Co., 99 USPQ 344 (Comm'r Pats. 1953).

The wording: "Tabletop games; gymnastic and sporting articles not included in other classes, namely, gymnastic apparatus, balls for sports, basketballs, rounders sets; Christmas tree decorations; Toys for babies, pre-school children, children, namely, soft toys, role-playing toys, sand box toys, gardening toys, activity toys; Kits for building outdoor play equipment; outdoor toys, namely, playhouses; playground equipment, namely, climbing frames; playground equipment, namely, dome-shaped climbing frames; toy houses; playground equipment, namely, outdoor play sets; swings; see-saws; playground slides; play swimming pools; playground equipment, namely, sandboxes for children; water toys; table tennis tables; pool tables; snooker tables; air hockey tables; pucks and mallets for tabletop hockey games; tabletop games, namely, tabletop football tables; inflatable toys, namely, inflatable structures with windows shaped like castles in which children can safely jump around and play; play kitchens; role playing toys in the nature of play sets for children to imitate real life occupations; Indoor play apparatus for children, namely, play mats and play houses; dolls; dolls' clothes; dolls' houses; furniture for dolls' house; video game consoles; toy vehicles; toys, namely, toy garages; ride-on toys; trampolines; safety mats, namely, mats that prevent injury in case of falling; trampoline protective pads; fitted covers for trampolines; playground sand boxes; water tables being playground water toys; tables for playing games, namely, sand and water tables; table tennis bats and balls; outdoor games, namely, petangue set; playing balls; baseball bat and ball sets; baseball sets comprising bats and balls; sporting articles, namely, cricket sets including cricket bats and cricket balls; garden toys, namely, tennis sets comprised of tennis racquets and tennis balls; badminton sets; soccer goals; ring games; croquet sets; dominoes; Toy bowling games; toy scooters; push-toys; play easels; cleanable children's painting screens; bouncers for children in the nature of miniature trampoline with hand rails; playground equipment, namely, climbing nets; play rope ladders; play water cascade toys; play tables with tracks for toy vehicles.." under International Class 028, contains language that isn't specific enough therefore, resulting in a broad description of the products.

The Registry has discretion to require the degree of specificity necessary to identify the goods or services in relation to which the mark is used in the commerce of Puerto Rico.

The applicant may adopt the following recitation of goods, if accurate:

#### Class 028

Tabletop games; gymnastic and sporting articles not included in other classes, namely, gymnastic apparatus, balls for sports, basketballs, rounders sets; Christmas tree decorations; Toys for babies, pre-school children, children, namely, soft sculpture toys, role-playing toys in the nature of play sets for children to imitate real life occupations, playground sand boxes toys, gardening toys, namely, playsets for gardening, children's multiple activity toys; Kits for building outdoor play equipment; outdoor toys, namely, playhouses; playground equipment, namely, climbing frames; playground equipment, namely, dome-shaped climbing frames; toy houses; playground equipment, namely, outdoor play sets; swings; see-saws; playground slides; play swimming pools; playground equipment, namely, sandboxes for children; water toys; table tennis tables; pool tables; snooker tables; air hockey tables; pucks and mallets for tabletop hockey games; tabletop games, namely, tabletop football tables; inflatable toys, namely, inflatable structures with windows shaped like castles in which children can safely jump around and play; play kitchens; role playing toys in the nature of play sets for children to imitate real life occupations; Indoor play apparatus for children. namely, play mats and play houses; dolls; dolls' clothes; dolls' houses; furniture for dolls' house; video game consoles; toy vehicles; toys, namely, toy garages; ride-on toys; trampolines; safety mats, namely, mats that prevent injury in case of falling [international class 027 as sports and gymnastics mats, namely, safety mats] Safety padding for {indicate sport}; trampoline protective pads; fitted covers for trampolines; playground sand boxes; water tables being playground water toys; play equipment, namely, sand tables and water tables; table tennis bats and balls; outdoor games, namely, petangue set; playing balls; baseball bat and ball sets; baseball sets comprising bats and balls; sporting articles, namely, cricket sets including cricket bats and cricket balls; garden toys, namely, tennis sets comprised of tennis racquets and tennis balls; badminton sets; soccer goals; ring games; croquet sets; dominoes; Toy bowling games; toy scooters; push-toys; play easels; cleanable children's painting screens; bouncers for children in the nature of miniature trampoline with hand rails; playground equipment, namely, climbing nets; play rope ladders; play water cascade toys; play tables with tracks for toy vehicles.

Applicant is advised to examine the International Classification of Goods and Services established under the Nice Agreement, Tenth Edition, to describe the products or services that are used commercially in Puerto Rico. See http://www.wipo.int/classifications/nice/es/.

Note that Rule 33 of the Rules provides that the applicant may amend his application during the review of the application, when required by the Examining Attorney or other official reasons. The applicant may amend his application to clarify or limit, but not to extend the identification of goods or services. Given the above, the Examining Attorney requires that the applicant modify and amend its application for renewal as indicated in this Office Action or otherwise show cause why this amendment is not necessary.

In light of the aforementioned, the Examiner requires the Applicant to modify and/or amend the application for registration as provided herein or, otherwise, show cause why such modification is not required.

<sup>\*</sup> Note that these suggestions are illustrative and not exhaustive.

According to Rule 36 of Puerto Rico's Trademark Rules of Procedure amendments filed must be specified in a written and signed statement by the Applicant or its Representative. Neither Applicant nor its Representative shall rewrite, alter, modify, erase or include words in a pending application. However, the Puerto Rico Trademark Office (PRTO) may amend the said application with the Applicant's consent.

According to Rule 27 of Puerto Rico's Trademark Rules of Procedure, if the PRTO does not receive a response to the abovementioned remarks within ninety **(90) days**, the Application shall be considered abandoned.

**Note:** Please refer to the name of the Examining Attorney. The office action response shall be filed online at <a href="https://prtmfiling.f1hst.com/">https://prtmfiling.f1hst.com/</a> using the transaction office action response. The cost for the said filing is \$15.00. If you have any questions via email to <a href="mailto:jpagan@estado.pr.gov">jpagan@estado.pr.gov</a>

Cordially,

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